CONTRACT PROVISION

Compliance with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA):

Except as otherwise limited in this contract, contractor may use or disclose protected health information (PHI) to perform functions, activities, or services for, or on behalf of, the DMHMRSAS, as specified in this contract. In performance of this contract, Contractor agrees to:

- Not use or further disclose protected health information (PHI) other than as permitted or required by the terms of this contract or as required by law;
- Use appropriate safeguards to prevent use or disclosure of PHI other than as permitted by this contract;
- Report to the DMHMRSAS any use or disclosure of PHI not provided for by this Contract (Agreement) of which it becomes aware;
- Impose the same requirements and restrictions contained in this contract (amendment)
 on its subcontractors and agents to whom contractor provides PHI received from, or
 created or received by the contractor on behalf of the DMHMRSAS;
- Provide access to PHI contained in a Designated Record Set to the DMHMRSAS, in the time and manner designated by the DMHMRSAS, or at the request of the DMHMRSAS, to an individual in order to meet the requirements of 45 CFR 164.524.
- Make available PHI for amendment and incorporate any amendments to PHI in its records at the request of the DMHMRSAS;
- Document and provide to DMHMRSAS information relating to disclosures of PHI as required for the DMHMRSAS to respond to a request by an individual for an accounting of disclosures of PHI in accordance with 45 CFR 164.528;
- Make its internal practices, books, and records relating to use and disclosure of PHI received from, or created or received by the contractor on behalf of the DMHRMRSAS, available to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the purposes of determining compliance with 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164, subparts A and E;
- Implement administrative, physical and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity and availability of electronic Protected Health Information that it creates, receives, maintains or transmits on behalf of DMHMRSAS as required by the HIPAA Security Rule, 45 C.F.R. Parts 160, 162, and 164.

- Ensure that any agent, including a subcontractor, to whom it provides electronic Protected Health Information agrees to implement reasonable and appropriate safeguards to protect it.
- Report to DMHMRSAS any security incident of which it becomes aware.
- At termination of the contract, if feasible, return or destroy all PHI received from, or created or received by the Contractor on behalf of the DMHMRAS contractor still maintains in any form and retain no copies of such information or, if such return or destruction is not feasible, extend the protections of the contract to the information and limit further uses and disclosures to those purposes that make the return or destruction of the information infeasible.

Contractor may use and disclose PHI received from the DMHMRSAS, if necessary, to carry out its legal responsibilities and for the proper management and administration of its business. Contractor may disclose PHI for such purposes if the disclosure is required by law, or if contractor obtains reasonable assurances from the person to whom the PHI is disclosed that it will be held confidentially, that is will be used or further disclosed only as required by law or for the purpose for which it was disclosed to the person, and that the person will notify the contractor of any instances of which it is aware in which the confidentiality of the information has been breached.

NOTE: List allowable uses of PHI in accordance with the contract's Scope of Work. The contract may also include language permitting the Contractor to use and disclose protected health information for the proper management and administration of the Contractor or to carry out the legal responsibilities of the Contractor.